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NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

*TIP Public Comment Hearing
May 19, 2020*

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- Identifies the highest priority transportation projects to be funded in the NEPA MPO region consisting of Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Schuylkill Counties.
- Develops a multi-year program of implementation.
- Identifies available federal and non-federal funding for the programmed project phases.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- Shows estimated cost of each project and projected schedule for completion of the project.
- Covers a four-year period of investment and must be fiscally-constrained.
- Is updated every two years through a cooperative effort of local, state and federal agencies, including participation by the general public.

From Planning to Preliminary Engineering

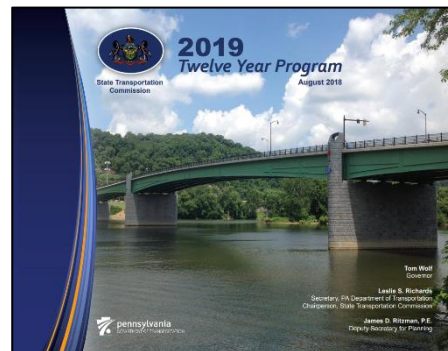
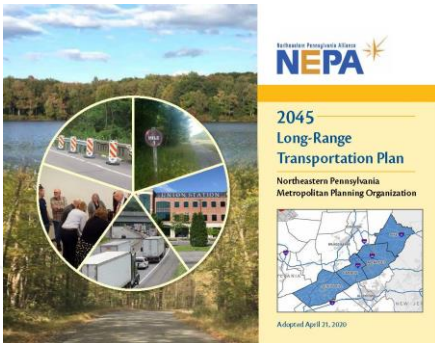
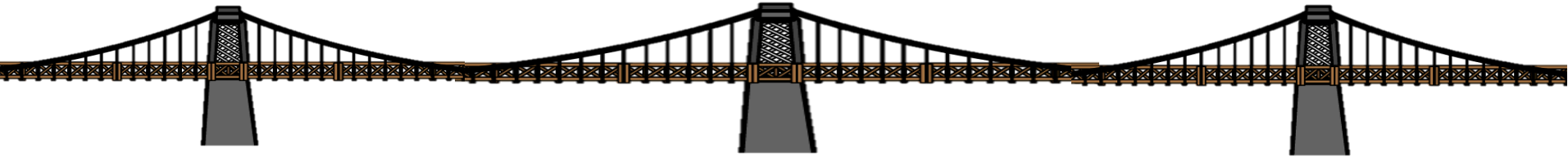
Long Range Transportation Plan

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Twelve Year Plan/Transportation Improvement Plan

TYP/TIP

Project Delivery



NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Funding

- Financial Guidance describes the available revenues and funding distribution strategies that form the foundation in developing the TIP and Twelve-Year Program (TYP).
- Financial Guidance is developed by a collaboration of representatives from MPOs, RPOs, FHWA and PennDOT, collectively known as the Financial Guidance Work Group.
- Based on Financial Guidance for this TIP, a funding shift will occur in 2023 and 2024 and going forward.

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The shift in funding is due to:

- Transportation Performance Management
- Asset Management Based on Lowest Lifecycle Cost
- The expiration of the FAST Act and funding uncertainty
- Shifts in funding to the Interstate Highway Management Program

The shift in funding has resulted in approximately 25% less funding for the NEPA MPO Regional TIP.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Development Process

- TIP development meetings held with the PennDOT Districts, Central Office and county planners to develop the draft 2021 Bridge and Highway TIP and TYP.
- Meetings held between September 2019 and December 2019.
- Carryover projects were reviewed and new transportation needs were discussed.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Development Process (TIP)

- Draft 2021 Bridge and Highway TIP and TYP were completed in January 2020 and shared with the NEPA MPO Technical Committee and Policy Board.
- Transit providers (CCCT, MCTA and STS) also developed draft Transit TIPs based on funding estimates and current needs.
- Interstate TIP and TYP developed in consultation with the Statewide Interstate Steering Committee and were shared with the NEPA MPO Technical Committee in March 2020.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Summary

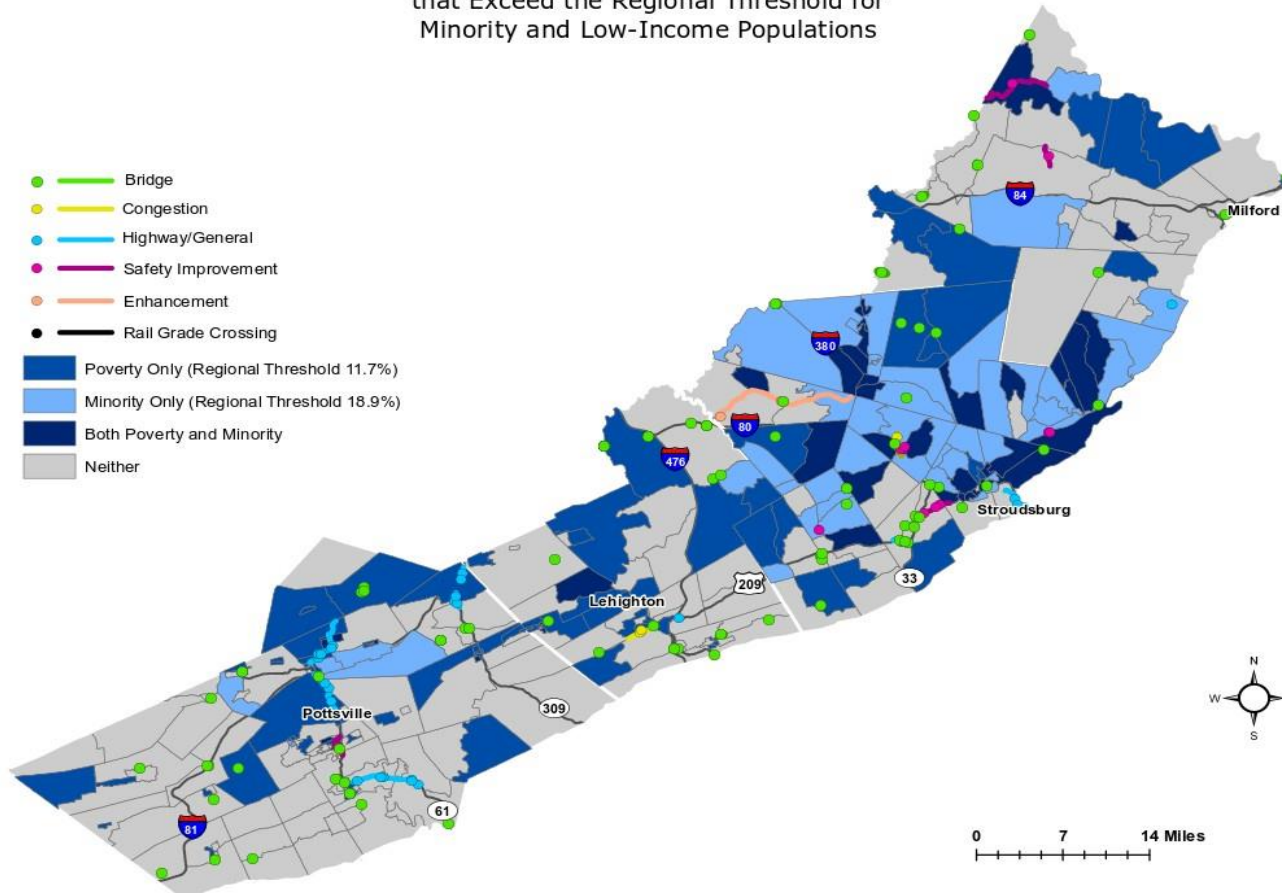
NEPA MPO Region Project and Investment Totals

- Draft Bridge and Highway TIP includes 95 projects, totaling \$209.3 million.
- Draft Transit TIP includes 19 projects, totaling \$16.8 million.
- Draft Interstate TIP includes 10 projects, totaling \$384.1 million.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Summary

2021-2024 TIP Project Locations and Census Block Groups
that Exceed the Regional Threshold for
Minority and Low-Income Populations

- Bridge
- Congestion
- Highway/General
- Safety Improvement
- Enhancement
- Rail Grade Crossing
- Poverty Only (Regional Threshold 11.7%)
- Minority Only (Regional Threshold 18.9%)
- Both Poverty and Minority
- Neither



Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development Process

- NEPA MPO Technical Committee approved a 30-day comment period on the draft 2021 TIP and TYP at its April 21, 2020 meeting.
- 30-day public comment period on the draft 2021 TIP began on May 11th and runs until June 12th.
- Public Comment Hearing on May 19, 2020.

NEPA MPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Comment Period

TIP documentation includes:

- Project spreadsheets and narratives for bridge and highway, transit and interstate projects
- Air Quality Conformity Analysis
- Environmental Justice Analysis
- Project Selection Summary
- Title VI Policy
- Administrative Actions/Amendments Guidelines

Next Steps

- Public comment period runs until June 12th.
- All comments will be addressed and documented.
- Final 2021 TIP and TYP to be considered for adoption by the NEPA MPO Committees on June 16th.

Once approved by NEPA MPO.....

- TIP is submitted to PennDOT, is included with other MPO and RPO TIPs and then submitted to FHWA/FTA for approval
- 2021 TIP implementation begins on October 1, 2020.

Questions?



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